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The Inaugural Star.

Complete copies of Saturday's, Monday's and everything pertaining to the inauguration ceremonies and the grand ball can be had at the counter of the business office in any quantity required, open or in wrappers ready for mailing. Price 2 cents each. If stamped and ready for the mail, 4 cents each.

HARRISON'S CABINET.

The Nominations Sent to the Senate Today and Promptly Confirmed.

President Harrison to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations: Secretary of State-James G. Blaine, of

Secretary of the Treasury-William Windom of Minnesota.

Secretary of War-Redfield Proctor, of Ver-Secretary of the Navy-Benjamin Tracy, of

New York.

Secretary of the Interior-John W. Noble, of Missouri. Postmaster-General-John Wanamaker, of

Pennsylvania. Attorney-General-W. H. H. Miller, of Indi-

Secretary of Agriculture-Jeremiah Rusk, of

The nominations were confirmed in a ten minutes' session of the Senate. The proceedings in executive session were of the most formal character. According to the almost unbroken line of precedents the nominations of members or ex-members of the Senate are confirmed without reference to com- | Far this class, Vice-President Morton's question as to them, "Will the Senate advise and consent to this appointment?" was answered affirma-tively by an unanimous vote, and as to all the rest. There was no objection raised to any of

the names by anyone.
[Elsewhere in THE STAR will be found sketches, with portraits, of all the members of

INTENTIONS.

Not the Slightest Foundation for Them.

A reporter of THE STAR called upon Mr. Blaine this morning with a collection of the rumors which set forth his intention to attempt the acquisition of Cuba, many of the papers pretending to give Mr. Blaine's words. After reading the articles Mr. Blaine authorized THE STAR to say that there was not the slightest foundation for any of them. He had made no expression whatever on the subject and must not be held answerable for the published state-

CAPITOL TOPICS.

THE RIDDLEBERGER INCIDENT. At 1 o'clock yesterday morning the Senate went into executive session on Mr. Riddleberger's case, and on motion of Senator Daniel all allusion to Riddleberger's disorder and

arrest was expunged from the Senate records. THE FIREWORKS. Set Pieces Cannot be Fired this Evening

-An Aerial Display will be Given.

Owing to the high winds prevailing to-day the fireworks men informed Chairman Britton this afternoon that it would be impossible to fire off the set pieces this evening. The understanding was reached, however, that unless the rain continued the aerial display would be

given this evening and the set pieces would be fired off to-morrow night. The Hand Press Victorious.

THE LONG CONTEST FINALLY SETTLED. Yesterday morning the conferees on the part of the Senate on the sundry civil bill yielded to of the Presidential party and the recention the House conferees in the matter of the use that followed. It was during the two hours it passed the House, has in this respect become

The bill as passed provides that future royalty on steam presses shall be one cent per thousand sheets instead of \$1, as at present; that there shall be no increase in the number of such machines now in use; that no part of the appropriation shall be used for their reconstruction or repair, and that unless the patentees accept the terms proposed the use of steam presses shall cease. Inasmuch as the cost of reconstruction and repair, which must be paid by the patentees, if at all, now amounts to about 22 cents per housand sheets, it is thought that shortly after the 1st of July the use of steam-presses in the intenest to the occasion. The swallow-tail rule bureau of engraving and printing will be dis-continued. The result of two sessions' work by the committee of Knights of Labor, E. L. Jordan and M. H. Kearney, with their attorney, J. H. Ralston, has thus been a victory at every int for the hand-press, claimed by them to

do superior work over the steam-press. WASHINGTON CONFERENCE M. F. CHUBCH .on conference of the Methodist | of rich costumes Episcopal church will begin its twenty-sixth annual session in Parkersburg. W. Va., tomorrow. Bishop S. M. Merrill, D. D., LL. D., of Chicago, will preside. The body has 150 colored ministers, with a church membership of over \$2.000. The church property is valued at \$850,246, with large and flourishing Sunday schools. The conference is divided into six schools. The conference is divided into six presiding elders' districts, embracing Western Maryland, a portion of Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia.

The scenes about the building when a great ball is held, such as the inaugural ball last evening, have a picture sque and lively interest, trict of Columbia, Virginia, and West Virginia.

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farmed to serve another term. PARNELL DEFENSE FUND. - The following subscriptions to the above fund are announced by the secretary: "R. G.," \$5; Chas. J. Fan-ning, \$5; Michael E. O'Connor, \$1; Ed. Pur-cell, \$1; Henry Boucher, \$1.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1889.

TWO CENTS.

A SPLENDID FETE.

The Inaugural Ball.

TWELVE THOUSAND PEOPLE PRESENT

A Grand Spectacle in the Pension Court.

AN OVATION TO THE PRESIDENT

Scenes in the Great Ball-Room.

How the Entertainment was Managed.

Some of the Guests and What They Wore.

There never was a ball like it before. The ill-timed rain gave a somewhat bedraggled aspect to the parade of the day, but whatever that lacked was more than made up by the brilliance of the scene in the vast court of the pension building last night. It was estimated that at the height of the festivities there were fully 12,000 people in the hall. Crowds were waiting to get admittance when the doors were opened at 8 o'clock. These were persons who had not purchased tickets in advance, and who Tuesday's STAR with supplements accompany- wanted to be on hand so as to make sure. From ing, containing a full and authentic history of the time the doors opened until midnight there was a steady stream of people. So before 9 o'clock there was in the hall what might be considered a most gratifying attendance at any fete, but still the stream flowed in. THE SCENE IN THE BALL.

Even the reserve of the well-bred man of the world was astonished into an expression of amazed delight or a long drawn "Oh!" as he stood pulling on his gloves at the door of the dressing room and gazed upon the scene before him, before passing out to be lost in the brilliant concourse. The decorations of the immense hall had been arranged with the best of taste and with perfect regard to the well proportioned spaces of the court. The majestic colonnades were treated by the decorators in a manner that did not destroy the effect of their splendid proportions, but rather heightened it. Touches of color here and there aforded delight to the height. Radiating in every direction from the center of each of the ranges, divided off by the colonnades, were streamers of red, white and blue. The lower sections of the huge colonnades were covered with crimson plush. while evergreens were wound in a great ascending spiral around each column, All the opportunities for decorative effect offered by the balconies were siezed upon by the artists. Flags, bunting, flowers and ornamental devices of all kinds were used in abundance. At the west end a large portrait of President Harrison looked down upon the throng, and at the opposite end there was a companion portrait of Vice-President Morton. up toward the lofty ceilmittees. Messrs, Blaine and Windom being of ing were circle after circle of incandescent lights that twinkled like radiant stars and shed a full and soft light over the enchanting scene below. Then, with the immense throng, the beautiful women, the sparkling jewels, the shimmer of silk and the sheen of satin, the gold lace, and scarlet or blue, here and there, of some uniform, the fascination of the moving figures in the dance THE RUMORS ABOUT MR. BLAINE'S or promenade, the vast hall presented a spectacle of splendor almost unrivalled even in the maginative flights of the most flowery of

THE GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

The committees in charge were extremely gratified at the way in which their carefully laid plans worked. When the immense attendance is considered the order maintained was surprising. There were at times crushes at some points, but nothing of a serious character occurred. The arrangements for keeping the carriages in order, for the cloak rooms, and for the other necessary appendages to a ball room of such magnitude were all complete and there was little complaint. The management of so colossal an entertainment is no small affair, but the work was divided off with such care and judgment that every detail received proper attention. The committeemen therefore had good reason to feel gratified. They had the proud satisfaction of knowing that they have a new and high standard by which to gauge all inaugural balls in the future.

A BALL WITHOUT WINE. The ball was wineless. The only thing that had even a slight suggestion about it of antiprohibition views was the Roman punch served with the supper. As a result there was no scene police, with intervals of spasmodic rushes, "Let n of the character that sometimes mars entertainments given on such a scale, where the attainments given on such a scale, where the at-tendance is not restricted. Quiet and solid en-joyment prevailed everywhere. There was no wine to drink; nothing but water, and that be- of the ball people. Even at came exceedingly scarce before the night had advanced far.

THE EVENTS OF THE NIGHT.

The chief event of the night was the arrival character held during the evening. Gen. Sher- although if it had been the position could not man was surrounded constantly by crowds of have been much wetter. man was surrounded constantly by crowds of people anxious to shake his hane. Gov. Foraker, Gov. Beaver and other distinguished guests of the evening also received much attention. Hon. W. F. Cody, or "Buffalo Bill," was also the center of an admiring throng. cease. Frederick Douglass attracted attention wherever he went, and to the strangers in the city the presence of the Corean and Chinese legations in their native costumes added a special was not made to apply to these legations. It was very generally observed, however. Not only the number but the character of the

attendance at the ball was gratifying to the

How the Spectators Enjoyed the Scene by Electric Light.

The scenes about the building when a great Perhaps the outside attractions as compared with those inside are not worth \$5 and the cost of a carriage, but they are fully worth the price of a carriage, but they are fully worth the price of a carriage. Perhaps the outside attractions as compared

great windows in the transverse lantern of the building looked dim. The rows of windows in



THE PENSION BUILDING. the three stories showed only a rather feeble

counterfeit or not the reporter could not tell in the dim light. The committee when they come to count up receipts will probably know. A man who wanted to dispose of his ticket to this vendor could only get an offer of \$2.

There seemed to be no demand for tickets at that distance from the counterface of the counter

that distance from the entrance and the specu-

lator soon disappeared. He was the only ven-der of any description found in the vicinity of the building.

THE LIVELIEST PLACE on the outside was at the corner of 5th and F streets. Here street cars, the private carriages, and the cabs, hansoms, and coupes came together. There was only one mounted policeman and one officer on foot to preserve order. They would have managed very well if all drivers had mastered the regulations relative to the approach of vehicles to the building, but, of course, there were constant violations of the rules. Hired carriages were continually coming up on the north side of F street when

The crowd would no doubt have been greater if it had not rained. But those who braved the inclement weather saw a good many amusing incidents. The great building did not present a very brilliant scene from the outside. The interior was flooded with light, but from the outside the great windows in the transverse lantern of the ball. A Star reporter induced several tickets, but whether they were building looked dim. The rows of windows in the transverse lantern of the counterfeit or not the reporter could not tell in not present. The great building looked dim. The rows of windows in the transverse lantern of the ball was at once purchased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not seem to be any ticket speculators. On the corticument, After the arrival of the President off the floor of the ball considers the outsiders and Vice-President the crowd of spectators, which was the largest about the 5th street entrance, began to grow thinner. They had a good view of those distinguished visitors, and flooded with light, but from the outside the price and he said \$5. He produced several tickets, but whether they were duiced several tickets, but whether they were building looked dim. The rows of windows in the transverse lantern of the chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not chased. At the G street entrance there did not the room of the ball enjoyed a continual round of gayety and excitement. After the arrival of the President of the proposed a continual round of gayety and excitement, After the arrival of the President of th

THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION. A Brilliant Scene Which Was the Central Event of the Ball.

General Harrison showed himself not afraid of a crowd. By his special request he was not surrounded by policemen, and the duty of minutes the procession was formed to ing until about 9:50, when General and Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison, and Mrs. McKee arrived under escort of Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boutwell. It was just about two hours later when they the three stories showed only a rather feeble light. At least it looked feeble as compared with the glare of the electric lights that were suspended above the entrances and at the different corners of the building. The long covered frame approaches to the different entrances were well lighted inside and the electric lights on the street brought out in bold relief the carriages as they drove up and the life the carriages as they drove up and the life the carriages as they drove up and the lights of the carriages were continually coming up on the north side of F street when they doming up on the north side of F street when they coming up on the north side of F street when they doming up on the north side of F street when they between all the members of the party before Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boniwe! It was just about two hours later when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. McKee arrived under escort of Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boniwe! It was just about two hours later when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. More arrived under escort of Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boniwe! It was just about two hours later when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. More arrived under escort of the party before carriages. When the officers asked for their carriages were continually coming up on the north side of F street when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. McKee arrived under escort of Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boniwe!. It was just about two hours later when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. McKee arrived under escort of the party before carriages. When the officers asked for their carriages were continually coming up on the north side of F street when they took their departure. Vice-President and Mrs. McKee arrived under escort of Colonel Britton and ex-Secretary Boniwe!. It was just about two hours later the members of the party before the members of the party. They would keep their for some following the line and treatme

enjoyed only on the outside, it can be readily understood that those who went to the ball missed a great deal which those who had tickets for the outside enjoyed to the fullest exorption. He had no awkward reserve of manner. Finally, after the reception had the companing for some time, word came up of been running for some time, word came up of the impatience for the President's visit to the ball room, and Mr. Harrison himself was anxious to go below, so the reception was cut off. Just before the close Mrs. Harrison and the other ladies of the party entered the reception room and took part in the hand-shaking.

lies were expected at 9 o'clock. The reception party. These were joined there by the Vice- speak with him. It was General W. T. Sherommittee formed in line from the entrance to President and Mrs. Morton and the Misses Mor- man, and the two men met most cordially. The

parade, and forced their way up to the head of the line. Gen. Harrison tried to discourage their efforts by declaring them entirely un-necessary, but they had got orders from their superior and did not appear to appreciate the situation. When they first appeared he looked up at them with a little superise. "Why we up at them with a little surprise. "Why, we are getting on very well," he said; "very nicely." He repeated this two or three times, but the police thought they could make them get along better. Then he made a whispered aggestion that if the police must be there they aght go a little further in advance and tell the people to make room. He was a little anloyed at their unsought services, MEETING GEN, SHERMAN, As the line came back down the hall a tall old man, in an officer's uniform, with grizzly hair and a smooth face and rugged but amiable surrounded by policemen, and the duty of keeping the way clear for him was performed by the members of the reception committee.

The President, Vice-President, and their families were expected at 9 o'clock. The reception party. These were igined there by the Vice-President in the room a few minutes the procession was formed to "Don't stop. I just shake hands with you as you go along!" he cried, as full of enthusiasm as a boy, when General Harrison paused to specify the committee and the President's boy, when General Harrison paused to specify the committee and the president's boy, when General Harrison paused to specify the committee and the president's boy.

manner that they were a burden or that their presentation was not appreciated. Presently he saw a lady he knew, and with a very politic

bow, presented them to her. It was so grace-ully done that the ladies near by clapped their hands and many looked with envy on the re-

cipient of this delicate attention, and then a general short of, "Well done! Well done!" He smiled pleasantly at this recognition of his

raiantry. He showed no disposition to hold aloof from the people and appeared rather to accept as a courtesy than to require the services of the committee to clear the way.

When the people pressed pretty close upon him he merely bowed and took it in a good spirit. Once or twice he stopped and exchanged a few

words with people he knew. He appeared per-fectly at case and at home. After the party had made about half the tour of the hall two

policemen came rushing and elbowing their way through the crowd of ladies and gentle-men, as they might through a mob at a street

alongside of the President. He was pressed alongside of the President. He was pressed back into the crowd by some members of the committee; but as soon as relieved from the pressure he sprang right back in the same place and began to move along as if he belonged there. He did not say anything, but kept sideling closer and closer to the President, without even looking at him. He was so sys without even looking at him. He was so systematic and persistent in his efforts that he at once got under suspicion, and after a third or fourth repulse Dinsmore took him by the shoulders and shoved him away back in the crowd. This stopped the promenade for an instant, and Geu. Harrison stepped forward to see what was the matter, but without any sort of uneasiness. After the mysterious young man had uncasiness. After the mysterious young man had disappeared, and it was thought he had gone disappeared, and it was thought he had gone for good, he suddenly appeared after the Pres-dent had gone clear around the hall and was about entering the supper-room. This time he was cautiously working his way through the crowd and was within a few feet of Gen. Har-rison when discovered. His manner on this occasion was particularly suspicious, and when he saw he was being watched, got back in the crowd and tried to approach from another dicrowd and tried to approach from another di-rection. Again he got almost up to the Presi-dent, when Dinsmore started for him and he hurried off along the colonnade, Dinsmore following him until some one else got him in charge. His conduct was extremely odd, and there was a general cry to put him out. He was probably put out by some one, for he did not appear again again the President entered the supper-room. A BIT OF DIPLOMACY.

At one point in the promenade a large and gaily dressed matron stood waiting with an immense bunch of red roses in her hand, evidently bent on presenting them to President Harrison. He saw what was threatening him some time before he reached her, and a curious expression, partly that of amusement, came into his face. He had just got rid of one bunch of roses, and it was clear that he did not intend to be burdened with another. As he approached her he began bowing to the people massed on the other side; but she was not to be eluded in that way, she pressed to the front, holding the florwers high in the air, and forcing herself upon his attention. But even in a little matter of taking flowers he was not going to have anything forced upon him. The roses were held right in front of him. He did not take them, but he gave the lady a bow, all for herself alone, that made her feel about as well as if the President had accepted her flowers. He did it so eleverly that she would have to be very astute to determine whether he did not understand that they were for him, or he did not want the

IN THE SUPPER-ROOM. After making a circuit of the ball-room the presidential party went to the supper-room. The doors were closed as soon as the party had entered. They remained there a very few minutes. Then they proceeded by way of the north staircase to the balcony. The crowd was great there, and the ladies of the party were greatly fatigued before their rooms were reached. Mrs. Harrison and the ladies of her party at once entered the President's apartments, and the ladies of the Vice-President's party retired to their rooms, while President Harrison and Vice-President Morton stood together for several minutes by the railing of the balcony bowing to the people below. While standing there they were called upon every now and then to turn and shake hands with people on the balcony. They then retired to their respective rooms. The doors were closed, but so many claimed entrance on account of special privileges that the President and Mrs. Harrison were soon involved in another reception. For about twenty minutes they were kept busy shaking hands. Mrs. Harrison was then feeling faint from fatigue of the prome-nade through the crowded ball-room, and the people upon being received were requested to pass out as quickly as possible, but even after that it was some time before the rooms were cleared. Two or three times Mrs. Harrison showed signs of fainting. Mrs. Morton was nearly overcome by the time she reached her apartments. But the crowd kept intruding, and it was some time after they had returned to their rooms before they could get away. The Vice-President and party were the first to

THE DEPARTURE. Twenty minutes before twelve Col. Britton. his face beaming with good humor and damp with perspiration, came along the crowded balcony with a big bundle in his arms, that at first was mistaken by the public for a baby. It was not a baby. The amiable chairman of the executive committee was loaded down with wraps of the fair young Misses Morton. The crowd readily made way for him.

At fifteen minutes of twelve o'clock the Vice-President and party were escorted to their carriage by members of the reception committee Five or six minutes later the presidential party were escorted to their carriages, None of them took any part in the dancing, or in fact, witnessed any of it.

THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE. Chairman Britton and his colleagues, of the executive committee, and Chairman McCammon and the following composed the reception committee, who received and acted as escort to the President, Vice-President and their families: Supreme Court United States-Chief Justice Fuller, Justice Sam'l F. Miller, Justice Jos. P. Bradley, Justice Stephen J. Field, Justice J. M. Harlan, Justice L. Q. C. Lamar, Justice Horace

Matthews. Supreme Court District of Columbia-Chie Justice Edward F. Bingham, Associate Justice Alex. B. Hagner, Associate Justice W. S. Cox, Associate Justice Chas. P. James, Associate Justice Wm. Merrick, Associate Justice M. V. Montgomery, Judge Arthur MacArthur, Clerk R. J. Meigs.

Gray, Justice Sam'l Blatchford, Justice Stanley

Commissioners District of Columbia-Wm. B. Webb, Chas. W. Raymond, Sam'l E. Wheatley. U. S. Court of Claims—Chief Justice W. A. Richardson, and Judges Chas. C. Nott, G. W. Schofield, Lawrence Weldon, John Davis, Chas.

D. Drake, Ed. G. Loring, and Mr. Archibale Army-Gens. Schofield, Robt, McFeely, Van Vliet, Greely, P. V. Hagner, Dan'l H. Rucker,

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richly-dressed occupants. About each entrance | but it was of no avail. The wrong carriages a group of spectators, who, raided now and then by the police, rapidly disappeared, and as rapidly appeared again. Probably they sank in the earth under the magic charm of the "I have in the earth under the magic charm of the policeman's wand; at any rate they resumed of the coachman, keeping his horses moving, officially winked at their presence. On the opposite side of the street was also a fringe of

THE F STREET ENTRANCE. which was in the grounds surrounding the building, and in consequence of the rain a sea of mud, there were groups of the irrepressible outside ball-goers. They found the slippery sides of the fountain, directly opposite the of steam plate printing presses, and the bill, as that the President and the Vice-President were which was ankle deep, and all these coigns of entrance, an improvement over the mud. there that the crush in the hall was greatest. advantage were pre-empted at an early hour. There were other receptions of an impromptu The fountain, fortunately, was not playing.

> A COIGN OF VANTAGE. A more eligible location than any thing inside of the entrance were the sides of the long covered approaches. It was not only sheltered from the rain, but there was something to lean against, and then there was a better opportunity to see the revellers as they passed in. There were women as well as men among the exterior attendant at the ball and from the general appearance of some who frescoed the bare board walls of the approaches it would be fair to assume that they were de-tectives. They had the searching glance of the detective which means so little or so much.

TICKET SPECULATORS. Then there were men who held conspicucommittee. Many parties of persons distin- ously in front of them large white envelopes guished socially came from distant cities espe- with a prominent red seal attached. To the were not the authorized agents of the executive committee, but for a slight advance they

"Where is your ticket?" the officer would

"Let me see it," bawled the officer as he backed his horse. The coachman would fumble about without.

By that time the carriage would be some distance down 5th street, and a long line of carriages closely in the rear. It was impossible to turn around as a rule, and so the officer had to give up the contest and let the carriage pass, the way. The rooms occupied by the commis-He would then tackle the next carriage, with mounted officer could be heard complaining that he had had no sleep for two nights and he

was getting played out. TURNED BACK.

A large number of the carriages were turned back and compelled to approach the building by the G street entrance. On G street there was not such a crush, as the number of double carriages were less than the one-horse vehicles. Shortly after 9 o'clock, when the crowd of arrivals seemed to reach the highest point, the ine of cabs, hansoms, and coupes extended all the way from the F street entrance down circuit was made around to 7th street.

CALLING CARRIAGES.

Those coming in hired vehicles were provi ded with tickets by the owners of the vehicles, which entitled them to be taken home in the first conveyance that drove up. The owners of private carriages were furnished with numbers, which were flashed upon a large stereop-tican screen located upon the top of the buildtican screen located upon the top of the build-ing at the northwest corner. The private car-festoons of smilax. The effect was rich beyond cially to attend the fete. The unusual display of rich costumes was also a notable feature of the gathering.

OUTSIDE SCENES.

with a prominent red sear tracked. The unusual display initiated the envelope was recognized as the ones which enclosed the ball souvenir accompanying the ticket. In fact in an unobtrusive panying the ticket. In fact in an unobtrusive with duplicate numbers were notified that they with duplicate numbers were notified that they with duplicate numbers on the ested that they had ball tickets for sale. They effect was rich beyond discription. Stands of palms and other potted with duplicate numbers were used in decoration of the waiting room and the staircase.

BEGINNING THE HAND-SHAKING.

As soon as the President had removed his screen. The arrangement made for the ap-proach of the carriages to the building seemed tive committee, but for a slight advance they were willing to accommodate ticketless people. One of these men whose cheek had the soft, the corner of 5th and F streets, where the

paid. It might seem strange that there should be any number of people who would be willing to stand around exposed to such weather as prevailed last evening merely to look at those who attended the ball. But such was the fact.

said in an indifferent tone that the supply of tickets at the box office beyond was nearly exhausted, "and as you see," he added, with a wave of its hand to the groups hurrying in, there are lots of people to come in yet." A prevailed last evening merely to look at those who attended the ball. But such was the fact.

street entrance for nearly an hour, so that it was difficult for the reception committee, by three times more. When the President got on upon the assemblage, and this movement was greeted with more cheering and beating of fans

against small gloved hands. IN THE PRESIDENT'S ROOMS. The party at once proceeded to the President's rooms, under escort of the full executive

probably the same result. At times there would be a brief interval in the arrivals, and then the President and his family. The suite consisted of four rooms, the first of which was furnished as a waiting room, the second, the large office of the commissioner, was the reception room, and the others were for dressing-rooms and exit. The walls of the reception-room were lined with royal purple velvet from ceiling to carpet, with a festooned dado of old gold plush, with the same material in blue in heavy drapery over the doors and windows. Over the main door was a fancy piece of shield and arms in bronze. Another of similar design rested over the old-fashioned chimney piece. Cabinets, with rich vases of flowers, were suitably arpast 6th street. As occupants left the vehicles ranged. In the middle of the room was a the latter were driven to 4th street, where the fountain, with dome of colored glass, which poured out a delicate spray of perfume. Near this, in front of the inner piece, was a double throne with canopy made of pink, white, and red roses. On the canopy the word "Inauguration" was worked in flowers of deep red, and at the back of one seat was the nan Harrison, and on the other Morton, similarly worked. Heavy velvet portieres hung at the doors, and from the ceiling in all directions

with Col. Britton, Mrs. Morton with exon 5th street and G street there was were constantly slipping past to the 5th-street | The crowd had been massing about the 5th ex-Secretary Boutwell, Mr. and Mrs. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Halford, and Mr. Tibbetts and Mrs. Saunders. forming a double line, to keep a passage clear.
When it was announced that the President had arrived, three cheers rang from one end to the arrived, three cheers rang from one end to the presidential party was shut off with gates at a little distance to open the way. That part was shut off with gates at ther of the great hall, and echoed in the arches | presidential party was shut off with gates at each end, and no one was supposed to be adthe first step he turned his head slightly to look | mitted without cards, but the crowd within this preseere was so great it took a great deal of shoving on the part of the committeemen to get a way through. When the staircase was reached Gen. Harrison quickened his pace and seemed disposed to go on into the crowd with-out formality or assistance. Just before reaching the ball-room he stepped about ten steps committee, with Col. Cody in the lead breaking up in the stairway which sinks into the heavy the way. The rooms occupied by the commissioner of pensions, gorgeously decorated and furnished for the occasion, were reserved for and the length of the great hall was before him, and ten thousand faces were turned toward him. It was

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and he stood for several moments as if fascinated. The gorgeously-decorated hall, with its flags and shields and streamers and garlands of evergreens, the brilliant electric lights, the air filled with music, and a grand assemblage in full dress, the people pressing forward to see the President, and every face turned upward toward him, all smiling and many powdered— it was very different from the assemblage he looked down on from the grand stand east of the capitol a few hours before. While he paused there the advance line was clearing the way for the procession around the hall. Com-mitteemen gathered about him to buffet the crowd, and the line advanced into the hall, No policemen were in sight, and it was not the desire of Gen. Harrison that any should be called into service. The cheering which began as soon as he was in sight continued during the whole promenade. Just as he entered the throng an old man pressed forward and seized him by the hand, saying: "Here he is; here is the man." Hereison shock the hand service.